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- When training and on duty Rumanian border guard troops wore khaki-colored field uniforms with epaulets made of the same cloth. Piping of other colors were not worn. For reviews and on leave they wore green epaulets and collar patches on their service coats and overcoats.
- Each of the soldiers had been issued black laced shoes or boots. Those at the 27th Training Center had long khaki-colored trousers which were worn with wrapped leggings; those in the 9th Border Guard Regt wore khaki breeches, a khaki service coat with four pockets and front buttons up to the collar hidden under a flap, epaulets of the same cloth and color, a khaki overcoat similar to Soviet Army overcoats, and a khaki-colored peakless field cap of Soviet pattern. On the front of the cap was a green, triangular cloth emblem with the brass letters R.P.R. (Republica Populara Romana - Rumanian People's Republic). Prior to 1949 border guard personnel wore the letters Gr (Graniceri) (Border Guards) on the green cloth emblem.
- The following insignia of rank were worn: A private first class (Fruntes) had one yellow cross braid on his epaulets, a corporal (Caporal) two, and a junior sergeant (Sergent) three. A sergeant (Sergent Major) had yellow-bordered epaulets with one yellow cross braid, a senior sergeant (Plotoner) had two, and a sergeant major (Plotoner Major) wore three. A junior lieutenant (Sublocotenent) had a narrow yellow cord running along the center of his epaulets and one metal star as insignia, a lieutenant (Locotenent) had two stars, a senior lieutenant (Locotenent Major) had three stars, and a captain (Capitan) had four stars. A major (Major) had one metal star and a broad strip of braided yellow cord covering almost the whole width of his epaulets, a lieutenant colonel (Locotenent Colonel) wore two stars, and a colonel (Colonel) had three stars. Generals' insignia were not known

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